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EO 11652: NA

TAGS: BGEN, EAIR, LT

SUBJ: LESOTHO INTEREST IN PURCHASE OF US AIRCRAFT

FOR EX-IM BANK

1. LESOTHO UNABLE FINALIZE EXPECTED ARRANGEMENTS WITH
WITH CANADA TO PURCHASE DE HAVILLAND TWIN OTTER FOR
ANTICIPATED JOHANNESBURG-MASERU LESOTHO AIRWAYS
SERVICE. INTEREST IN US AIRCRAFT NOW EVIDENTLY GREATER
THAN EVER WITH FAIRCHILD METROLINER CHOICE OF U.N.
AVIATION ADVISER.

2. EMBASSY HAS BEEN ASKED TO PROVIDE AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE DETAILS OF FINANCING EX-IM COULD MAKE
AVAILABLE. EMBASSY PARTICULARLY NEEDS INFORMATION ON
INTEREST RATE AND PERIOD OF LOAN. INITIAL PURCHASE OF AIRCRAFT
AND PARTS ABOUT ONE MILLION DOLLARS. SUBSEQUENT PURCHASES
MAY FOLLOW IF PROPOSED SERVICE TO DURBAN ADDED.

3. PROMPT REPLY WILL BE MOST USEFUL IN FURTHERING
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POSSIBLE SALE US AIRCRAFT.

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